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For: ISOLATION APPROACH FOR)	
NETWORK USERS ASSOCIATED)	
WITH ELEVATED RISK)	
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INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Sir:

This reply is submitted in response to the Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary mailed on May 29, 2009, in regards to the telephonic interview of May 19, 2009. Applicants agree with the Interview Summary in all aspects except for the statement:

“The claim limitations of Claim 1: ‘in response to the security event, causing the network device to acquire a second network address that is selected from a subset subset of addresses within a second specified pool associated with suspected malicious network users; wherein the security event is an event that indicates at least one of: a possible denial of service attack, possible IP addresses spoofing, extraneous requests for network addresses, and a possible MAC address spoofing’ is what is novel about applicants’ invention.”

Applicants agree that the cited limitations recite a number of novel features described by Applicants’ in their Specification. However, Applicants disagree with the statement to the extent

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that it implies that Applicants in any way agreed during said interview that Applicants' claims recited no other novel features. Other novel features are to be found in each of Applicants' claims. Moreover, Applicants' willingness during said interview to amend other independent claims was based solely on Applicants' interest in expediting a prosecution for the subject matter that the Examiner indicated allowable, and not on the patentability of the other claims without the amendment.

Respectfully submitted,
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